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Use of Articles

কোন Sentence এ common noun কখনোই article ছাড়া use হয় না। তাই article এর correct' use জানা তোমাদের
জন্য important. Article এর correct use না জানলে Sentence construction সম্ভব নয়।

Uses of determiners : A or An

A অথবা An শুধুমাত্র singular countable noun এর আগে বসে; তারা "একটি" বুঝায়। তারা General statement হিসেবে
বা কোন subject কে introduce করতে ব্যবহৃত হয়।

EX- A football is round. (সকল football কে বুঝাচ্ছে)

I saw a girl in the road (আমরা জানি না কোন **girl)**

➪ A এবং An এর ব্যবহার word এর intial sound দ্বারা নির্ধারিত হয়। Vowel sound দ্বারা শুরু কোন word এর আগে 'an' বসে। আর Consonant sound দ্বারা শুরু হলে তার আগে `a' বসে।

union European university
eulogy universal eucalyptus
uniform euphemism

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➪ H দ্বারা শুরু word এবং প্র ম Syllable অনুচ্চারিত থাকে এ রকম word এর আগে 'an' use হয়। নিমড়ব লিখিত word গুলোর আগে অবশ্যই 'an' use হবে।

hour understanding herbal
heir unnatural uncle
honour umbrella

➪ কোন word এর আগে Indefinite Article বসলে তা 'a' না 'an' হবে সেটি নির্ধারিত হয় word টির initial sound দ্বারা।

Ex- I saw a one-eyed man.

Uses of Indefinite Article

➪ কোন unit বা 'একক' (per) বুঝাতে 'a' বা 'an' বসে।

Ex- Potato sells sixteen taka a kilo.

➪ একজন বুঝাতে Proper noun এ 'a' বা 'an' বসে। ঐ ক্ষেত্রে Proper noun কে Common noun হিসেবে গণ্য করা হয়।

Ex- He thinks he is a Rabindronath.

➪ অপরিচিত ব্যক্তির নাম বা পদবীর পূর্বে 'a' বা 'an' বসে।

Ex- An Iqbal came here to tell the news.

➪ What দিয়ে শুরু Exclamatory sentence-এ

Ex- What a nice bird it is!

➪ Superlative degree'র ক্ষেত্রে ব্যবহৃত most, word টি দ্বারা যখন 'very' বা খুব বেশী বুঝায় তখন 'a' use হয়।

Ex- This is a most interesting story. (a most = very)

➪ কোন ব্যক্তি বা বস্তুর আগে, যার সম্পর্কে পূর্বে উলেখ করা হয়েছে।

Ex- I see a cat. The cat is black

➪ কোন Phrase বা clause দ্বারা যদি কোন noun কে নির্দিষ্ট করা হয়, তাহলে ঐ noun এর পূর্বে The বসে।

Ex- The boy in blue shirt is my friend.

➪ সমগ্র জাতি বুজাতে singular common noun এর পূর্বে (man এবং women ছাড়া)

Ex- The rose is the sweetest of all flowers.

➪ কোন জাতি বা সম্প্রদায়ের পূর্বে:

Ex- The English are clever.

➪ কিন্তু কোন noun যা কোন language কে বুঝায় তার আগে কোন article বসে না।

Ex English is an international language.

➪ যে কোন road এর নামের পূর্বে 'The' বসে, কিন্তু কোন street বা avenue এর পূর্বে the বসে না।

Ex- The bus is running on the Grand Trunk road.
My uncle lives in Rankin Street.

➪ কোন musical instrument এর পূর্বে যকন কেউ তা বাজায়।

Ex- He plays the piano.
"play" এর পরিবর্তে যদি "Play on" use হয় তবে "the" বসে না। Ex- He plays on piano.

➪ Ordinal Number এর পূর্বে

Ex-The 21st February is a red letter day.

➪ কোন স্থানের নামে ভৌগলিক তাৎপর্যপূর্ণ অর্থ থাকলে।

Ex-The Panjab is a land of five rivers.

Proper noun এর পূর্বে যখন তা adjective দ্বারা বিশেষিত হয়ঃ

Ex-The great Omar was a mighty ruler.

কিন্তু Common noun এর পূর্বে যখন তা abstract noun এর ন্যায় ব্যবহৃত হয়

Ex-Education could not remove the beast in him.

কোন adjective এর সাথে যখন তা কোন noun ছাড়া use হয় "People who are ..... বুঝাতে।

Ex-The poor have many problems.

'শোনা অর্থ বুঝাতে "radio" এর আগে the বসে।

Ex-He listened it to the radio.

She will buy a radio ('a' for general use)

নিম্নলিখত time এবং positions এর ক্ষেত্রেঃ

Ex- The morning.

The front, the beginning, the top, the end.

"যত তত" বুঝাতে adverb এর comparative degree-র পূর্বে the বসে।

Ex-The more we have, the more we want.

Superlative degree এবং sense এর আগেঃ

Ex-The man of the match.

দশক এবং শতাব্দীর পূর্বেঃ

Ex-The twenty first century.

এটা quantity expression এ নিম্নলিখিত pattern-এ use হয়ঃ

Quantifier + of + the + noun

Ex- Many of the cars.

Some of the milk.

Use 'the' with	Don't use 'the' with
* Oceans, reivers, seas, gulfs, lural lakes Ex-The Atlantic, The Great Lakes.	* Singular lakes : Ex-Lake Geneva, Lake Erie
* mountains or mountain range Ex-The Rocky, The	* Mounts: Ex-Mount Vesuvius, Mount McKinley

Andes	
* Earth, moon: Ex-The earth, The moon	* Planets, Constellations: Ex- Venus, Mars, Earth
* schools, colleges, universities, when the phrase begins with school etc. Ex-The University of Chittagong.	* schools, colleges, universities when the phrase begins with a proper noun : Ex-Dhaka University
* Ordinal numbers before nouns: Ex- The third chapter.	* Cardinal numbers after nouns: Ex-World War One, chapter three.
* Certain countries or groups of countries with more than one word. Ex-The United States.	* Countries with only one word. And countries preceded by "New" or an adjective such as a direction. Ex-France, Sweden, Korea, Great Britain.
* Famous Books, Holy Books,	* If the writer of the book is placed before it:

Newspapers : Ex-The Quran, The Iliad	Ex-Nazrul's Agnibina
* Historical documents : Ex-The Magna Carta * Ethnic groups : the Indians * Wars except world wars (the Korean War) * Rivers, Desert Directions : The Amazan,	* abstract nouns: freedom, happiness. * sports : baseball, basketball. * continents : Europe, Africa, South America.

Omission of Article

Material nouns এর পূর্বেঃ

Ex- Coal is black but very useful to us.

* কিন্তু বিশেষভাবে নির্দিষ্ট করে বুঝালে **'the'** বসে।

Ex- The water of this tank is pure

Abstract nouns এর পূর্বে

ex- The truthfulness of the great Prophet (Sm) is Praiseworthy .

সংশিষ্ট উদ্দেশ্য যাওয়া বুঝাতে **school, college, church, bed, hospital,market, prison** ইত্যাদি স্থানগুলোর পূর্বে **article বসে না।**

Ex- Runa is going to University

খেলা বা খাবার সংক্রন্ত নামের পূর্বে **article** বসে না।

Ex- He did not have lunch today.

Other

It is so confusing to the students to use in the sentences. So follow the below table.

With countable Noun An + other + singular (one more):

another pencil

means one more pencils.

The other + singular (last of the set):

the other pencil means the last pencil.

The other + no nonEnglish Other + plural (more of the set):

Other pencils mean some more pencils.

The other + plural (the rest of the set):

The other pencils mean all remaining pencils.

With non-countable Noun

Other + non-count nouns(more of the set):

Other water means some more water.

count nouns(all the rest):

The other water means the remaining water

Note 1:

Another and *other* are nonspecific but *the other* is specific.

Note 2:

You can omit noun by understanding subject and keep *determiner and other* because it works as pronoun. In case of plural count noun *other* becomes *others*.

Examples:

I don't want this book. Give me another.
(not specific)
I don't want this book. Give me the other.
.(specific)
This chemical is poisonous. Others are poisonous too.
(not specific)
I don't want these books . Give me the other (

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specific)

This, that, these, those

It is possible to use the demonstrative articles as pronouns.

Note 1: It is correct to say *this one* or *that one* but incorrect to say *these ones* or *those ones*. Just use *these* or *those.*

For example:

This glass is broken. That one is also broken.

These glasses are dirty. Those are also dirty.

Chittagong University

1. When your body does not get...., it can not make the glucose it needs. (kha 04-05)

A. food enough B. enough food C. food as enough D. as enough as food

2. Few students have come to school. The underlined word is..... (kha 04-05)

A. an adjective B. an adverb C. a noun D. verb

3. we are not in ... financial position to cut taxes. (Gha 04-05)

A. a strong enough B. a sufficient strong C. an enough strong D. sufficient strong

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enough

4. That magnificent ..... mosque was built by the Arabs. (kha 02-03)

A. eight-century's-old B. old-eight- centuries

C. eight-century D. eight-century-old

5. ..... lunch my mother served was excellent.

(Gha 02-03)

A. The B. A C. Any D. no article

6. It was ....journey (gha- 02-03)

A. three hour B. three hours

C. a three hours D. a three hour

7. Can I have ... milk in my coffee, please? (uma 02-03)

A. little B. any C. few D. some

8. Anne is very busy these days, she has.. free time,(uma 02-02)

A. plenty of B. a lot of C. little D. much

9. We don't have to rush, We've got..... time.

(uma 02-03)

A. much B. plenty of C. a little D. little

10. I am very tired, I had hardly..... sleep last night

(Ga 02-03)

A. a lot of B. much C. some D. any

11. Fill in the blank. " What.... Lovely dress!"

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(Chha 02-03)

A. a B. an C. the D. this

12. She is too weak to run but strong .... to walk without help (Kha 02-03)

A. well B. Sufficient C. enough D. much

13. Find out the correct sentence. (Cha 01-02)

A. There is a University at Chittagong

B. there is an University at Chittagong.

C. Thee is University at Chittagong

D. There is the University at Chittagong.

14. Fill in the blank "Shariful is... University Student" (Cha 01-02)

A. an B. the C. a D. no use of article

15. ..... six of my brothers want tomake their beds. (Gha 02-03)

A. Any B. Both of the

C. All D. the others

16. .... can be grown on arid land. (Kha 02-03)

A. Only little crops B. Only a little crops

C. All D. The others

17. Complete the Sentence. Is there any milk in that jug? Not..... (Gha 01-02)

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A. none B. many C. much D. some

18. I don't have.. spare time these days. (Kha 01-02)

A. many B. much C. some D. more

19. Sherlock Holmes, a fictional detective, solved many..... crimes (Gha 01-02)

A. prevalent B. puzzling C. prompt D. pure

20. Which one is the correct? (Cha 02-03 CU)

A. Quran is divine book

B. The Quran is a divine book.

C. Quran is a divine book

D. The Quran is divine book.

21. They spent..... time considering the new contract.

A. too much B. too many C. tooD. many E very

22. I read..... Prothom Alo, which is ..... very popular newspaper in our country. Fill the blanks with articles.

A. the, the B. the, a C. the, an D. a, an.

1. B 2. A 3.A 4. D 5.A 6.D 7.D 8.C 9.B 10.D

11.A 12.C 13.A 14.C 15.C 16.D 17.C 18.B 19.B

20.B 21.A 22.B

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Exercise : 01

1. More challenge initiatives are to be taken soon
to address the threatening impact of the high temperature.
A. challenge initiatives are to be taken
B. challenging initial are to be taken
C. challenging initiatives are to be taken
D. initiatives challenging are to be taken.

2. In southern part of our country a food is
customarily served which tastes deliciously.
A. served which tastes deliciously
B. served which tastes delicious
C. served which tastes more deliciously
D. which served tastes deliciously

3. Some of the afraid boys entered the temple as it
was empty but the rest could not as it was enough
small.
A. could not as it was enough small
B. could not as it was enough smaller

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C. could not as it was enoughly small
D. could not as it was small enough.
4. All the arrangements were ready but we were
waiting for him consent.
A. but we were waiting for him consent
B. but we waiting for him consent
C. but we were waiting for hi consent.
D. but we were waiting for he consent.
5. You should adopt some other difficulty methods
to defeat them.
A. other difficulty methods to defeat
B. other difficultly methods to defeat
C. other methods difficulty to defeat.
D. oher difficult methods to deeat.
6. Rowshan looked afraidly when I went to her hall
gate.
A. looked afraidly when I went
B. looked afraid when I went
C. looked up when I went.
D. looked up afraid when I went
7. She was enough polite to be respected by all.

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A. enough polite to be respected.
B. enoughly polite to be respected
C. enough politely to be respected
D. Polite enough to be respected.

8. One day when I offered her a gift she looked up unhappy.
A. her a gift she looked up unhappy
B. her a gift she looked up unhappily
C. her a gift she looked unhappily
D. she a gift she looked up unhappy

9. Only few boys knew the fact that I loved her more than my life.
A. Only few boys knew the fact
B. Only a few boy knew the fact
C. Only a little boys knew the fact
D. Only a few boys knew the fact

10. She showed me a year nine old steel black long pencil box.
A. a year nine old steel black long pencil
B. a nine year old long black steel pencil

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C. a year nine black long old steel pencil
D. a year nine black long pencil old steel

Answer keys : 1. C 2. B. 3.D 4.C 5.D 6.B 7.D 8.B 9.D 10.B

Exercise : 02

1. Martha Thomas was an American educator who stood for equal ---- rights for women.
A. educated B. educational
C. educating D. educationally
2. She wanted a ---- briefcase so that all her apparels can be put in it.
A. lager B. largely C. large D. largest
3. Raising and selling cut flowers and ---- potted plants is a large industry.
A. decoration B. decorates
C. decorate D. decorative
4. Caffeine is -----, slightly bitter substance, added to many carbonated soft drinks.
A. odor B. odorless
C. an odorless D. more odorous
5. When our body does not get ----, it can not make the glucose it needs.
A. enough food B. food as enough

C. food enough D. enough the food

6. The definitions for “gram calories” or “calories” are ---- for most engineering work.

A. accurate as enough B. enough accurate

C. accurate enough D. as accurate enough

Answer Keys : 1.B 2.C 3.D 4.B 5.A 6.C

USES OF ARTICLES(English)

You have already known one thing that a common noun is never used in a sentence without article. So it is important for you to know about the correct uses of articles. Article is a silly field where you often make mistakes. Although it is not very much important for the admission test, we are teaching it you for developing your base of English. One other thing, You may face some indirect questions from

this section

Uses of determiners A or An

➪ A or an can precede only singular count nouns; they mean one. They can be used in a general statement or to introduce a subject which has not been previously mentioned.
A baseball is round. (Means all baseballs)
I saw a boy in the street. (We don't know which boy)

➪ The choice between a and an is determined by sound. Before a word beginning with a vowel sound an is used; A is used before words that begin with a consonant sound.
a book an apple
The following words begin with a consonant sound and thus must always be preceded by a.
European euphemism uniform universal eucalyptus eulogy union university

➪ Before words beginning with H and not accented on the first syllable, an is often used;
The following words must always be preceded by an. hour understanding herbal
heir unnatural uncle honor umbrella

➪ The initial sound of the word that immediately follows the indefinite article will

determine whether it should be ***a*** or ***an.***

an hour a whole hour

⇨ If a word is initiated with O and sounds like *wa,* it requires a before it.

I saw a one - eyed man.

Uses of indefinite article

A or an is used to indicate a unit or 'per'

Rice sells twenty taka a kilo.

⇨ To make a proper noun a common noun. (In the sense of 'one like')

An Omar does not born in all ages.

A Daniel has come to Judgment.

⇨ Before an unknown name or surname (In the vague sense of a person)

A Mr. John has come.

⇨ In Exclamatory sentence beginning with what.

What a pity! What a pretty girl!

⇨ A is used before the superlative most when it means 'very'.

He saw a most wonderful sight

Uses of Definite Article

⇨ Before a person or thing already referred to

I see a bird. The bird is an eagle.

➪ Before a noun qualified by a phrase or clause.

The girl with blue eyes is beautiful.

➪ A singular noun representing a whole class. [Without man and woman]

The cow is very useful.

But, Man is mortal.

➪ Before a noun denoting nation or race

The English are clever.

* But the nouns indicating languages have no article.

English is an international language.

➪ Before the name of a road but not street or avenue.

The bus is running on the Mymensingh road.

It is available in a shop on downing street.

➪ Before musical instrument when one plays on it.

He plays the guitar.

* The is not used if 'play on' is used in the place of 'play'

He plays on guitar.

➪ Before Ordinal numbers

The 21st February is a red letter day.

➪ Before the names of a province having a geographical meaning.

The Punjab, the Deccan.

➪ Before a proper noun when it is qualified by an adjective.

The great Caesar.

➪ Before some common nouns to express an abstract sense.

The mother rose in her.

➪ With an adjective when it is used without a noun to mean "People who are....."

Both the young and the old will enjoy it.

The poor have many problems.

➪ Before radio use 'the' when it denotes listening. He listened it to the radio. But I will by a radio (a for general use)

➪ Before the following expressions of time and positions.

The morning the front the beginning the afternoon the top the end

➪ Before double comparatives, as adverb

The sooner, The better.

➪ Before Superlative degree and sense

The chief minister. The man of the match.

➪ Before decades and centuries.

the 1930s

the twenty first century

➪ It is used in quantity expressions in this pattern: quantifier + of + the + noun
many of the books
some of the water.

Use the following generalizations as a summary for the use of the article 'The.'

Use 'the' with

➪ oceans, rivers, seas, gulfs, plural lakes the Atlantic, the Grate Lakes

➪ mountains or mountain range the Rocky, the Andes

➪ earth, moon the earth, the moon

➪ schools, colleges, universities when the phrase begins with school, etc.
The University of Florida

➪ Ordinal numbers before nouns
the third chapter

➪ certain countries or groups of countries with more than one word (except Great Britain)
the United States

➪ Famous Books, Holly Books, Newspapers The Bible , The Iliad.

➪ historical documents
the Magne Carta

➪ ethnic groups the Indians

⇨ wars (except world wars) the Korean War

⇨ Rivers, Desert, Directions. The Amazon, The north

Don't use 'the' with

⇨ singular lakes Lake Geneva, Lake Erie

⇨ mounts Mount Vesuvius, Mount McKinley

⇨ planets, constellations Venus, Mars, Earth, Orion.

⇨ schools, colleges, universities when the phrase begins with a proper noun Santa Fe Community College,

⇨ cardinal numbers after nouns World War One, Chapter three

⇨ countries with only one word France, Sweden

⇨ If the books writer is placed before it. Nazrul's Agnibina

⇨ abstract nouns freedom, happiness

⇨ sports baseball, basketball

⇨ continents Europe, Africa, South America

Omission of Article

Before material nouns.

Gold is precious metal.

* BUT the is used if it is particularly referred

The coal of New Castle burns well.

⇨ Before abstract nouns

Kindness is a virtue.

* BUT the is used if it is specified

The kindness of Mohsin.

⇨ Before school college, church, bed, hospital, market, prison when these places are visited or used for their primary purpose.

⇨ Before the names of games and meals.

We have dinner as usual time.

Exercise: Write the correct article ("a," "an" or "the"). If no article is needed, mark ∅

1. The old woman made a special tea with — herb that smelled of oranges.
2. Through his telescope we could see what looked like the canals on — Mars.
3. The children were released from — school early last Friday because or a teachers' conference.
4. Robin Hood supposedly stole from — rich.
5. Untold nimbler of people perished while attempting

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to cross — Death Valley.
6. Albert is — only actors that I know personally.
7. An antelope can reach speeds of 60 miles — hour.
8. The guide knows — way.
9. The children found __ egg in the nest.
10. — man wearing — unusual Jacket left — package.
11. — humorist is — human being with — peculiar sence of humor.
12. — understanding of all operating in our plant is — necessity for — supervisor.
13. — Union leader should be — honest person, fur to great responsibility.
14. — hour before dawn is — inhuman hour for — human being to be awakened.
15. After — one hour wait I had — X-ray taken at — hospital that accepts payment from — HMO plan.

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          \_Thanks _\
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